



February 20, 2012

The Honorable Thomas M. Middleton
Finance Committee
3 East, Miller Senate Building
Annapolis, MD 21401-1912

Re: SB 206 Maryland Health Security Act of 2012 – **Oppose**

Dear Senator Middleton:

The Legislative Committee of the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce opposes SB 206 as a bill that would result in a single payer health care system. This could lead to increased taxes on businesses and increased government spending.

With the current federal legislation, The Affordable Care Act, being considered by the United States Supreme Court, this is not the time to consider a system that may conflict with these provisions. Furthermore, there is no current reason to pursue the system when in fact the proposed Maryland Health Benefit Exchange Act is being considered by the legislature.

For these reasons we would respectfully request that you give this bill an unfavorable report.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Michael McMullin'.

Michael McMullin
President
Carroll County Chamber of Commerce

CC: Senator Joseph M. Getty
Delegate Susan W. Krebs